Washington, DC – Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez (TX-23) announced a \$2.5 million grant for the Alamo Community Colleges to provide education and job training for hundreds in the San Antonio area.

"This grant, through the U.S. Department of Labor, expands the ability of Alamo Community Colleges to train and prepare workers to work in high-growth industries, such as health care and green construction jobs" said Congressman Rodriguez. "As our economy continues to improve month-by-month, these types of grants ensure that these individuals are able to provide for their families, and our whole economy benefits from their participation in the marketplace."

The grant will fund ACCD's I-BEST initiative which provides job training for military veterans and spouses, dropouts, Limited English Proficiency (LEP) workers and lower-skilled workers to work in emerging green industries.

Alamo Community Colleges will work with several partners on the job training initiative, including Air Force Villages, Alamo Area Council of Governments, Dr. Brian L. Eck, General Dentistry, Hill Electric and Solar, M&M Weatherization, Meridian Solar, Project Quest, San Antonio Youth, SER Jobs for Progress, Solar San Antonio, the American GI Forum National Veterans Outreach Program, Inc., University Hospital System and Workforce Solutions Alamo.

The grant will serve approximately 420 people.

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